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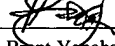
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**ASSERTION OF SMALL ENTITY STATUS UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.27(c)**

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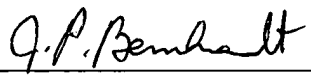
At the time of filing of the application, this application was ineligible for small entity status under 37 C.F.R. § 1.29(a), and fees have been paid to date at a large entity rate. However, on or about July 26, 2005, Applicant was acquired by a small entity.

Accordingly, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.27(c), the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is hereby notified of a change in status of the present application. Any fees owed subsequent to that date should be charged and paid at the small entity rate.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees, or credit any overpayment, to the Deposit Account 50-2319 (Our Order No.: 463037-00220; Our Docket No.: A-68718-4).

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